MNA Nightingale Awards

Congratulations to Dr. Bonnie Harbaugh for receiving Nurse Researcher of the Year at the eighth annual MNA Nightingale Awards, held March 4th.

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Breaking New Ground, Transforming Health Care
Dr. Sheila Davis, professor of nursing, recently participated in The American Association of Colleges of Nursing Doctoral Conference of Nursing as an invited panelist on the Research Leadership Program. She shared her experience as the founding editor of her journal, The Online Journal of Health Ethics. This international, peer reviewed journal, is now in its ninth year of publication.

Dr. Sheila Davis, Professor of Nursing, began her first term on the Board of Directors of Southern Nurses Research Society, February 2013, as Director at Large of The Research Interest Groups (RIGS). This is a two year appointment.

Dr. Sharon Vincent and others attended the MS-ACC, "Mississippi Rising, A Preventive Health Symposium" by the Ms. Chapter, American College of Cardiology in February. Dr. Carl J. Lavie, MD, FACC, FACP, FCCP, Professor of Medicine from University of Queensland was one speaker with other Professors of Medicine and physicians. Dr. Thad Waites is the current President of the MS. ACC. This symposium addressed measures that can make a tremendous impact on cardiovascular health in Mississippi. Colleagues worked together in efforts to raise Mississippi’s standing in national health standards. This should not only make Mississippians healthier but also significantly lower the cost of delivering healthcare in our state.
4th Semester Nursing Student Presents Poster at Convention

Ms. Nicki Relan, a 4th semester senior in the College of Nursing, presented her poster at the Southern Nursing Research annual convention in Little Rock, AK on March 1st. The poster, Effectiveness of Individualizing Interventions Informed by the Hierarchic Dementia Scale (HDS) to Reduce Aggression in People with Alzheimer’s Disease was based on her honors thesis. Nicki also participated in the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing Research Workshop at the preconference on February 27th where her work received accolades from attendees.

DNP Student Recognized by Graduate School

Ms. Josefina Alejandro has been honored by the Graduate School at The University of Southern Mississippi. Her DNP capstone project, Performance Differences Between Novice and Experienced Critical Care Nurses: A Replication Study, was accepted for presentation at the 2013 Graduate Student Research Symposium on Thursday March 21st. The symposium will be held at the Thad Cochran Center and followed by an awards luncheon. Josefina’s presentation will be at 9 a.m. in room 210. Ms. Alejandro will graduate in May.

Mrs. Betty Anderson would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers during her family’s time of bereavement. Please continue to keep her family in your prayers.
SNA participated in the MS Municipal League Youth Conference, Saturday, March 2, 2013. There was also student representation at the Nurse Summit in January. The SNA is very busy with fund raisers and plans to participate in the Autism's Rocking Chair Event to be held in April, funds will go toward the Autism Foundation. Stay tuned for more information and how you can donate. SNA is also sponsoring a softball tournament this spring. Please see Karen Owens for further details. A special thanks to all SNA members for their participation in the recent tornado clean up on campus and the donations of bake sale items for sale that went toward the bucket items.

CoN's SNA Organization Sponsors Fundraising Events and Performs Community Service

Student Nurses Working for Cultural Diversity Announce Raffle Winner

The Student Nurses Working for Cultural Diversity at Southern Miss Organization held their Kindle Raffle on February 26th. Justin Crosby was the winner. The organization raised $150 from the raffle. The money will be given to Christian Services of Hattiesburg. Thanks to all who purchased a ticket!

4th Semester T-Shirt Fundraiser

The 4th semester students are selling T-Shirts to raise money for their pinning ceremony!

The red shirt reads, “Save a life, you’re a hero. Save a hundred lives, you’re a nurse.”

Hero Shirt (RED) $15 One of Us Shirt (WHITE) $20

Contact Stephanie Wu, Jacob Hickson, or Margo Wilson for more details.